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Serial No. 10/024,896	Filing Date December 17, 2001	Examiner Unassigned	Group Art Unit 1614
Inventor(s) Blackett et al.			
Title of Invention METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MASTER SLAVE PROTOCOL COMMUNICATIONS IN AN INTELLIGENT ELECTRONIC DEVICE			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Request for Continued Examination (RCE); Preliminary Amendment; First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; Form PTO-1449; Copy of cited reference B137; Check in the amount of \$770; Postcard receipt.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ Petition for a _____ month extension of time.
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x \$9=	
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+\$145=	
Total add'l fee	\$

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